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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gregory K. Otten

Serial No.: 10/709,655

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For: ANTI-ROTATION DEVICE FOR
MATING CONNECTORS AND
METHODS OF USING SAME§
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Art Group: 3679

Examiner: Aaron M. Dunwoody

Docket No.: 22.3091

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office communication mailed November 28, 2005 for which the shortened-statutory period for response is set to expire December 28, 2005.

ELECTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Office required Applicants to elect for prosecution on the merits one of two distinct species of the claimed invention:


Group I, Claims 1-23 drawn to a method. Class 29, sub-class 890.043.

Group II, Claims 24-44 drawn to an apparatus. Class 285, sub-class 092.

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-23 drawn to a method, classified in Class 29, sub-class 890.043 for prosecution on the merits without traverse. Consequently, Applicants request claims 24-44 be withdrawn from consideration.

It is believed that there are no fees due at this time. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required at any time during the prosecution of this application without specific authorization, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 180584. If there are any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at (281) 878-5658.

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